

# Urban District Council of Malton.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

of the

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year

1953

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## Including the Reports

of the

## SANITARY INSPECTOR

J.L.TONG, C.R.S.I.

and

## MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTOR

R.E. BOND, M.R.C.V.S.



To the Chairman and Members of the  
Public Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on  
the health of the Malton Urban District for the year 1953.

STATISTICS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Area in acres	...	...	...	...	4,016
Estimated population	...	...	...	...	4,132
Number of inhabited houses	...	...	...	...	1,325.
Rateable value	...	...	...	...	£30,733
Product of Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	£120

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS .

			Male	Female	Total
Live Births	...	...	43	21	64
Legitimate	...	...	43	20	63
Illegitimate	...	...	-	1	1

STILL BIRTHS

Legitimate	...	...	-	-	-
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
All births - live and still			43	21	64.
Crude Live Birth Rate (per 1,000 population)					15.5.
Illegitimate Rate (percentage of total births)					1.6%
Still birth rate (per 1,000 population)					Nil

MATERNAL MORTALITY.

No deaths attributable to pregnancy, childbirth, or  
abortion occurred during the year.

Maternal mortality rate	...	...	...	Nil.
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INFANT MORTALITY.

Deaths of infants under 1 year of age			
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-

Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 related live births) - Nil



## Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age

	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Legitimate	-	-	-
Illegitimate	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-

Neonatal Mortality Rate (per 1,000 related live births) - NIL

DEATHS

Causes of death in the district for the year ended 31st December, 1953:

				<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Tuberculosis, respiratory	...	...	...	-	-	-
Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	-	-	-
Diphtheria	...	...	...	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections	...	...	...	-	-	-
Acute poliomyelitis	...	...	...	-	-	-
Measles	...	...	...	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases	...	...	...	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...	...	...	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...	...	...	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, breast	...	...	...	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...	...	...	-	-	-
Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms	...	...	...	1	4	5
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	...	...	...	-	-	-
Diabetes	...	...	...	-	1	1
Vascular lesions of the nervous system	...	...	...	4	5	9
Coronary disease, angina	...	...	...	3	3	6
Hypertension with heart disease	...	...	...	-	-	-
Other heart disease	...	...	...	7	7	14
Other circulatory disease	...	...	...	1	1	2
Influenza	...	...	...	-	-	-
Pneumonia	...	...	...	-	1	1
Bronchitis	...	...	...	2	2	4
Other diseases of the respiratory system	...	...	...	-	-	-
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...	...	...	-	1	1
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	...	...	...	-	-	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	...	...	...	1	-	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...	...	2	-	2
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	...	...	...	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	...	...	...	-	-	-
Other defined and ill defined diseases	...	...	...	1	1	2
Motor vehicle accidents	...	...	...	1	-	1
All other accidents	...	...	...	1	-	1
Suicide	...	...	...	-	1	1
Homicide and operations of war	...	...	...	-	-	-
All causes	...	...	...	24	27	51

Crude Death Rate (per 1,000 estimate population) ... 12.3

Comparison of Birth and Death Rates

The crude Birth and Death Rates of any district are not directly comparable with those of England and Wales. To make approximate allowance for the way in which the sex and age distribution differs from that of England and Wales as a whole the crude rates are multiplied by a comparability factor.





Crude live birth rate ... ..	15.5
Comparability factor for births ... ..	1.09
Adjusted Birth Rate ... ..	16.9
Crude death rate... ..	12.3
Comparability factor for deaths ... ..	0.88
Adjusted Death rate ... ..	10.8

Comparative table of birth and death rates during 1953

	<u>Rates per 1,000 population</u>			<u>Infant Mortality Rate</u>
	<u>Live Birth Rate</u>	<u>Stillbirth Rate</u>	<u>Death Rate</u>	
England & Wales	15.5	0.35	11.4	26.8
MALTON URBAN DISTRICT	16.9	Nil	10.8	Nil

PREVELANCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifiable diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1953:

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Cases notified</u>				
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	99
Whooping Cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	4
Erysipelas ... ..	...	...	...	...	1
Pneumonia ... ..	...	...	...	...	1
Food poisoning ... ..	...	...	...	...	2
Totals ... ..	...	...	...	...	<u>107</u>

Where necessary cases of infectious disease are admitted to Cross Lane Hospital, Scarborough and Yearsley Bridge Hospital, York.  
Tuberculosis.

New cases and Mortality during 1953:

<u>Sex</u>	<u>New cases</u>		<u>Deaths</u>	
	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-pulmonary</u>	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-pulmonary</u>
Male	-	-	-	-
Female	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	-	-	-


GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES

(i) Laboratory facilities.

Samples for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory, Northallerton. A van calls once a week to collect specimens.

(ii) Local Services under Part III of the National Health Service Act, 1946

The day to day administration of the following services



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is carried out by the Ryedale Local Health Sub-Committee in the Urban Districts of Malton and Pickering and the Rural Districts of Helmsley, Kirbymoorside, Malton and Pickering.

(a) Care of Mothers and Young Children.

Child welfare and ante-natal clinics are held at 13 centres in the Ryedale area.

In places where no clinic is held ante-natal and child welfare services are carried out by health visitors in the home.

(b) Midwifery, Health Visiting and Home Nursing.

Combined duty Nurses serving 16 nursing districts are resident in the area.

(c) Ambulance Service.

Ambulance Stations at Malton and Kirbymoorside provide this service.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

FOOD

Meat and other foods

Daily inspection is carried out at the Slaughter House which serves the whole of the surrounding area, and although the conditions are not ideal, every effort is made to carry out the work as hygienically as possible.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep and Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
Number killed (if known)	1303	159	99	5498	1798
Number inspected	1303	159	99	5498	1798
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis</u>					
(a) Whole carcases condemned	14	9	21	126	56
(b) Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	341	55	6	393	300
(c) Percentage of the number inspected aff- ected with disease other than tubercul- osis	26.4	40.2	27.2	9.4	19.2



CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED (Continued)

	<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep and Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
(a) Whole carcasses condemned	9	6	1	-	5
(b) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	11	7	-	-	95
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	1.5	8.1	1.01	-	5.5

Ice Cream

Number of premises registered for the sale of ice cream	28
Number of samples submitted for analysis	22
Number found to be Grade 1	15
Number found to be Grade 2	Nil
Number found to be Grade 3	5
Number found to be Grade 4	2

In the main, the registrations are people selling pre-packed ice cream purchased from the big wholesale producers.

In only one case is the ice cream manufactured locally.

Milk Supplies

Number of milk retailers	7
Number of samples submitted for examination by Methylene Blue test	4
Number found to be satisfactory	4
Number found to be unsatisfactory	-
Number of samples submitted for presence of tuberculosis	11
Number of samples positive	Nil
Number of samples negative	11

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Number of houses in area	1306
Number connected to sewers	1289
Number not connected to sewers	17
Estimated number of water closets in area	1994
Number of houses with water closets	1260
Number of houses with pail closets	46
Number of pail closets abolished during the year	10

Note: The sewage works purifies the whole of the output from the Malton Urban District and adjoining Norton Urban District, the works being administered by a Joint Committee of the two Councils.





## Water

Public supplies are received in bulk from the Ryedale Joint Water Board.

Quantity supplied during 1953	104,407,000 gallons
Number of houses on public supplies	1300
Number of private water supplies	5
Number of houses on private supplies	6
Number supplied by taps inside the house	1269
Number supplied by taps outside the house	31
Number of samples of public supply submitted	41
" " " " " " " satisfactory	40
" " " " " " " unsatisfactory	1
" " " " " private supplies submitted	5
" " " " " " " satisfactory	1
" " " " " " " unsatisfactory	4

## Public Cleansing

Total cost of Service year ended 31st March, 1953	-	£1,969
Cost per house per annum (including trade refuse)	-	£1. 10. 2d.
Cost per house per week	-	7d.
Frequency of collection	-	Weekly

## Camping Sites

Number of caravan sites in area	-	Nil
Number of individual caravans stationed in the area	-	Nil

## Housing.

Number of houses in area	-	1306
Number of new houses erected in 1953:		
(a) private enterprise	-	4
(b) council houses	-	26
Number of houses and flats owned by the Council	-	346

## Mortuary

Number of public mortuaries	-	1
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This Mortuary, in Castlegate, was provided and is maintained jointly by this Council and the Malton Rural District Council.

## Public Health Officers of the Authority

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